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## **SE Uplift Board Statement on Orlando, Florida Mass Shooting July 5, 2016**

The Board of SE Uplift sends our sympathies to our distant neighbors in Orlando healing from the aftermath of the hate motivated mass shooting on the Orlando Pulse Nightclub. This violent invasion on a safe space of the sexual minority community shows that, as a society, we have a long way to go before everyone can safely live free from homophobia or any other form of bigotry. This statement may only be symbolic, but by standing with the Orlando community, SE Uplift hopes to help heal the wounds caused. Thus, we can contribute to moving the conversation forward towards solutions for all forms of bigotry and terrorist violence.

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